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SUBJECT: US-USSR ENVIRONMENTAL AGREEMENT
general
REF: STATE 33336

1. RE PARA 11 REFTTEL, FOLLOWING CABLE RECEIVED FROM
KOLBASOV VIA KAZAKOV TO TIMOTHY ATKESON, U.S. LEGAL/ADMIN-
ISTRATIVE PROJECT CHAIRMAN, MARCH 9:

QTE WE PROPOSE TO BEING THE MEETING OF SPECIALISTS MAY EIGHT,
WITH GROUP OF FOUR SPECIALISTS. DETAILS FOLLOW BY LETTER
UNQTE.

EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO CONVEY TO KOLBASOV/KAZAKOV U.S.
ACCEPTANCE OF PROPOSED DATE, AND SUGGESTION THAT WEEK OF
MAY 8-11 BE TAKEN UP WITH MEETING, WHILE FOLLOWING WEEK
SOVIET GROUP MIGHT VISIT PLACES AND INSTITUTIONS OF
INTEREST. WE SHALL PURSUE FURTHER FOLLOWING RECEIPT
KOLVASOV LETTER.

2. RE PARA 7 REFTTEL, URBAN GROUP. HUD WISHES REMIND
SOVIET SIDE THAT FOUR-WEEK DEADLINE FOR APRIL 8 ARRIVAL
NOTICE ALREADY PAST, AND WE ARE CLOSE TO FOUR-WEEK DEAD-
LINE FOR APRIL 15 ARRIVAL. AFTER WHICH, AS PER REFTTEL, VISIT
MUST BE POSTPONED TO FALL. SINCE THIS IS EXTREMELY IMPORT-
ANT GROUP, WHICH HAS ALREADY RECEIVED MUCH ADVANCE PUBLICITY,
WE WOULD REGRET TO SEE FURTHER POSTPONEMENT. EMBASSY SHOULD
REMIND KUDRYAVTSEV AND/OR HYDROMET OF APPROACHING DEADLINE
AND OUR HOPE APRIL VISIT WILL STILL BE POSSIBLE.

3. RE PARA 4 REFTTEL, IT APPEARS SOVIET MARINE GROUP NOT
PLANNING MEET MARCH 19 INVITATION DATE. IF SO, DR. SCHNEIDER
NOW PROPOSES ALTERNATIVE DATES OF MAY 13-30. WOULD APPRE-
CIATE EMBASSY STRESSING NEED FOR MESSAGE FOR DR. SCHNEIDER
IN NEAR FUTURE, INCLUDING ANSWER ON QUESTION IF SOVIETS CAN

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BE HOUSED IN U.S. PRIVATE HOMES.

4. EMBASSY MAY WISH CONVEY TO KAZAKOV OUR APPRECIATION FOR
MESSAGES NOW BEING RECEIVED, AND OUR HOPE OF GETTING WORD
ON REMAINING GROUPS SHORTLY. ROGERS

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